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REF: (A) STATE 230094; (B) STATE 216230 (NOTAL)

1. ON OCTOBER 21 EMBASSY PROVIDED SUBSTANCE REFTEL A LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TO SWISS FEDERAL AIR OFFICE STRESSING THAT DESCRIPTION

OF ZURICH AND GENEVA AIRPORTS AS "HIGH RISK" DUE FACTORS
OTHER THAN LACK OF PHYSICAL SECURITY. (PLEASE NOTE:
FEDERAL AVIATION OFFICIALS HEADQUARTERED IN BERN; EMBASSY
BERN SHOULD BE INCLUDED AS ADDRESSEE ON ALL COMMUNICATIONS
RELATING TO SWISS AVAIATION MATTERS.)

- 2. ON OCTOBER 22 SWISS SHORTWAVE BROADCASTING SERVICE TELEPHONED EMBASSY TO REQUEST COPY OF FAA REPORT MENTIONED IN OCTOBER 17 JACK ANDERSON COLUMN. IN ACCORDANCE WITH GUIDANCE PROVIDED REFTEL B, EMBOFF EXPLAINED THAT FAA DOES NOT RELEASE DETAILS OF AIRPORT SECURITY SURVEYS AS THIS WOULD NOT BE IN BEST INTEREST OF AVIATION SECURITY.
- 3. BROADCASTING SERVICE OFFICIAL TOLD EMBOFF THAT COMMENTS OBTAINED FROM AIR OFFICE DIRECTOR WERNER GULDIMANN AND SPOKESMAN FOR SWISSAIR TO BE BROADCAST OCTOBER 23 OR 24 IN FRENCH, GERMAN AND ENGLISH. ACCORDING TO THIS OFFICIAL, GULDIMANN DENIED SECURITY MEASURES AT SWISS AIRPORTS INADEQUATE AND SAID FAA HAS NEVER EXPRESSED ANY DISSATISFACTION WITH CURRENT SWISS SECURITY PRACTICES. SWISSAIR SPOKESMAN IS REPORTED TO HAVE SAID SWISSAIR TAKES FAA REPORT AS "WARNING" TO IMPROVE ITS SECURITY PRECAUTIONS.
- 4. THIS ISSUE HAS SO FAR NOT RECEIVED MUCH PLAY IN SWISS PRESS. WHEN GULDIMANN AND SWISSAIR INTERVIEWS BROADCAST, HOWEVER, PRESS MAY TAKE MORE INTEREST IN SUBJECT OF FAA SURVEYS OF SWISS AIRPORT SECURITY. DAVIS

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